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A perusal, however, of the volume before us, which is made up, not of "closet" sermons, but of stenographic reports of a few notable extemporaneous discourses on unusual occasions, will show that they are full of solld meat-examples of clear and strong thought expressed in most effective language; and that, whatever may have been their loss in the transmission from the voice to paper, they are (what sermons seldom) are) still beautifully adapted to reading.

by Himself and edited by W. L. Alden. Illustrated. Harper & Brothers, New York : Jansen, McClurg & Co., Chicago Hapeman & Graham, Ottawa. \$1.00.

The "Adventures," here embodied in such a neat volume of 236 pages, have appeared during the past year in successive numbers of Harper's Young People, and must therefore be more or less familiar to many of our readers. It is sufficient to say possibility. Yet they are often ludicrous erary World. in the extreme, and Jimmy's way of relapeople will read the book with an audible from Northfield, Minn., where it is issued harm to tame grasses.

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Magazines.

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POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY for October leads off with an article of curious interest, by President A. D. White, on Com. soon as I am sent for. ets. A no less readable paper is the next, by that lucid thinker and happy writer, Prof. Henry Drummond, on The White Ant. "The Early Study of Plants," by Miss Eliza A Youmans is a valuable contribution to the science of primary education. "On Malarious Countries and their Reclamation," Toramasi Crudeli discusses questions of vital interest to many people. Prof. Cope further develops his views on that this insect has been unusually numer. The Energy of Life Evolution and How it Has Acted;" Mr. Hutton contributes a brilliant report of a meeting of "The Metaphysical Society," and what about miracles, &c. "The Solar Corona," by Huggins; The Relations of Railway Managers and Employes," by Barnard; "The Trading Rat" and the "Tissue Selection in the Genesis of Disease," are excellent and readable papers. There are a likeness and a biographical sketch of Professor H. A. Newpartments are full and varied as usual.

Crooks, D.D. Harper & Brothers, New Study in Independent Journalism." Fred numerous families or progeny. "Love at First Sight." The number is unusually rich in poetic contributions, and

> articles by as many different contributors, infinite army of them invaded and ravaged all in a belt about two miles wide and rungenerals, two American ex-Ministers to to such depth that from their stench a pes the din towards the coal fields, which are European courts, an American artist, a tilence arose which carried off more than a sisting of blue clay and gravel at Mendota, two distinguished men of letters and a count of these terrible scourges. In 1650 erous small gravel beds interspersed with famous American financier—Manning, clouds darkening the sun passed over Rus drift is the Trenton limestone, two hundred

The Ottawn free Trader. smile, while from the young people they by Wm. W. Payne, director of Carleton must evoke screams of laughter ber contains an article on "The Comet of 1866," on "Longitude by Moon Culmina-Jansen, McClurg & Co., Chicago; Hape-tions," on "The New Star in Andromeda,"

> THE INTER-OCEANIC PROBLEM. We paroxysmal about it, the incidents are such are indebted to the author, Elmer L. Coras happen every day, easily and naturally, thell, for his very able address delivered vet are woven into an intricate plot with an before the American Association for the admirable denoument. It abounds in fresh Advancement of Science, at its late meetand suggestive descriptions, sprightly and ing at Ann Arbor, Mich., on the proposed vivacious conversation, and sharply cut Eads Nicaragua Ship Railway. The lecportraitures of character, so real as to convince one they must be drawn from life, is an exhaustive treatment of the subject. It is, to our mind, the brightest American illustrated by a number of excellent engravings. The practicability of the proposed ship railway is scientifically demonstrated, HARRER'S MAGAZINE for October is a and that an outlay of \$50,000,000 will strong number—important, attractive and give the world a transit across the isthmus richly illustrated. Mr. C. H. Farnham for all its shipping vastly more expeditious concludes his interesting and beautifully and in all other respects superior to the pro-

and making beer; and George Parsons of those who have experienced wonderful least the workers in tobacco. Lathrop "does up" the city of Hartford, cures by the use of Dr. Bull's Cough

For the Free Tractor.

Dangers from the Grasshopper. I am not a scientist, nor the son or father brightness and luxuriance. ers, New York; Jansen, McClurg & Co., Politics." In fiction "East Angells" and of one; I am much less a prophet; yet I "Indian Summer" are continued, and there have some predictions to make, based on are two good short stories. There are certain conditions. I have no microscope some exceptionally good poems; there is or instruments of any kind. I have noth another short installment of "She Stoops ing but a pair of very poor eyes before a to Conquer," with 13 illustrations, one very little common horse sense. I have crop of 184,640,000 bushels. Estimating of which is the frontispiece to the numbeen observing some few characteristics of ber; and the Editorial Departments are some of our most common insects, and by nearly 200,000,000 bushels the largest well sustained, including a first-rate Edi. about them I am going to write my first crop the country has ever produced. article on science, or on the science of entomology. I expect soon to be a Fellow of the Royal Society, and I shall be ready as

> son has done so much damage to our out D. Dayton, Ark. crop, is called by scientific men Coleopterus Femur rubrum. I should call it Red Legged Grasshopper. I find by careful reference that it is of the same species as that which devastated and devoured the grain fields of Nebraska, Iowa and Southern Minnesota in 1874 and '75. It is a fact ons in this vicinity during the past year, and I predict that if we have a favorable winter and spring for the preservation and hatching of their eggs that next year our small grain will entirely be destroyed, if not our corn crop also.

For the past two weeks I have taken a great deal of interest in watching the female deposit her eggs. Though having no ovipositor, she someway edgs a hole in the ground the length of her abdomen and deton, and an editorial discussion of "Official posits from 50 to 100 eggs in the form of a Science in Washington." The minor de small grub. These eggs are closely stuck to each other by a sort of a mucilaginous substance secreted by the insect. I have The CENTURY MAGAZINE for October drawn several of these insects from their presents for frontispiece an admirable like place of deposit of eggs, and find that they ness of Samuel Bowles, for so many years adhere to the sides of the hole with a great the distinguished editor of the Springfield deal of tenacity, almost separating the ab-(Mass.) Republican, the portrait being ac-domen from the thorax before they let go companied by a sketch from the pen of their hold. They seem very much deterfrom short hand reports by George R. George S. Merriam under the title of "A mined to bless us another year with their

erick Schwatka continues his explorations | The severest cold weather does not seem along "The Great River of Alaska," with to affect or injure the vitality of their eggs. numerous admirable illustrations. Lizzie as last winter was a very severe winter, the W. Champney has a gossipy and profusely coldest for many years, yet we find the hopillustrated paper on "The Summer Haunts per most numerous. It is said, however, valuable as a tonic and appetizer. of American Artists;" George M. Grant by some authorities that an open winter gives us full information in regard to the will do more to destroy their eggs than the history, situation and prospects of the great intensest cold, especially where there is a Canada Pacific Railway; W. D. Howells, great deal of freezing and thawing; it will explain the natural gas situation at merous illustrations, gives us glimpses of when they become isolated once they besundry noted Tuscan cities; and William come scattered and absorb more or less A. Stiles sketches Riverside Park for us, moisture, and thereby seem to lose their now become a locality of national interest vitality. But where their eggs are once L. R. Curtiss and J. D. Tower were conas the burial place of Gen. Grant. The deposited they are pretty sure to hatch, as ducting the boring for the express purpose War Articles for the month are contributed was shown in their ravages of Southern by Gen. Porter, Gen. Wilson, Gen. Buell, Minnesota from 74 to 79. They deposited dredge, M. E. Seawall and others. In fic they remained till one summer day they vein being 31 inches. The flow of gas is tion there is a continuance of "The Besto rose and made their way to the Northwest, upwards of one million feet per day, and nians," and an amusing short story entitled and since then Southern Minnesota has It was found impossible to burn it with

it real to the multitude before him. There the "Departments" are all admirably sus noxious insect, which has been a pest to At this writing severa The October number of the Nouru globe some time in their history. They In boring wells for water in this vicinity Americas Review contains twenty-three have been the plague of Egypt. In 591 and gas has been found in large quantities in among whom are an English carainal, Italy, and, by the wind, being swept into ning in a southwest and northeast direction. an American admiral, two American major the sea and then thrown on land, drowned. This belt lies near the anticlinal axis, with New York assemblyman, an ex-United million beasts and animals. In 1847 thirty is one hundred and sixty-three feet deep States senator, the mayor of New York, thousand Venitians died of famine on ac and made up of some very large and num Ammen, Ben. Butler, Fitz John Porter, sia, Poland and Lithuania; in some places feet thick Ellhu B. Washburn, Wm. Waldorf Aster they were found lying dead on the ground. The first gas found in this belt was 5

(his first appearance in literature), J. B. t. depth of three and four feet. In 1748, years ago, on the Guiles farm, one 131 Eustis, of Louisiana; Wm. R. Grace, of the German states were overrun, and so New York, Theodore Rossevelt, Hotatlo dense were the clouds flying, leaping the well became choked with sand and THE ADVENTURES OF JUMBY BROWN, Written Saymour, E. P. Whipple, Charles T. Cong. crawling and struggling, that one person gravel thrown up from below. The Mendon, Dorman B. Eaton, and some others could not see another at a distance of tweeless known. There is also a very charace ty feet. And so I might go on and give that point. teristic private letter from Gen. Grant to the facts of history almost without numberhis father, written at Milliken's Bend, just but it is not necessary. I see no reason water wells have been abandoned or filled two days before he started in the Vicks why we are exempt from visitations or ravburg campaign. It is contributed by Col. ages of this kind, or why it is not a possi- convenience of well borers and water con-THE LIBRARY MAGAZINE, Gohn B. and find the heavens darkened and our cations for nearly forty miles from a point Alden, 393 Pearl street, New York \$1.50 a fields devastated and eaten up. They have that Jimmy is a boy somewhat after the year) for September contains: "Birds of been west and north of us, and it may be county, -Am. Manufacturer. order of "Peck's Bad Boy," but of an infi- the Rocks," by Maurice Thompson; "John our turn next. Who knows: It is well, nitely more refined type. The scrapes he Ruskin and his Works," by William therefore, to make some provision for such gets into are such as might easily befall Sloane Kennedy; "Astronomical Progress a scourge; and if we escape, as it is my that particular sort of music that rouses us any unusually smart but over confident boy, in 1884," from Appleton's Cyclopedia, hope and prayer we may, we shall have from our beds at night, to wit: the cries of and are always within the range at least of and "Maurice Thompson," from the Lit- lost nothing, for our graneries preserve our children suffering from a sudden attack of grain without damage or loss of valuation. cramp colic, pain in the stomach or bowels, THE SIDERIAL MESSENGER is a very Our stock can survive a grasshopper raid.

I have written about all that I know about the Locustida (the family name) and given what may be termed possibilities; I the Marseilles News. ask nothing for it; and if we hear nothing further from the pestiferous insect you &c. The publication is one no doubt full will no doubt never think of this article or from their effects another year, you would think I was a mighty good scientist and very prophetic in my visions.

FRED. J. DAVIS. South Ottawa, Sept. 26, 1885.

A Hotel Man's Discovery,

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.-Mr. George H. Arnold, proprietor of the Occidental Hotel, says that as the air is purer as we ascend, a man should not object to being assigned to a room on the uppermost floor; that he shouldn't mind taking a room-attic, as it were, in view of the fact that St. Jacob's Oil se promptly cures the rheumatic. He states that throughout California it is regarded as the great pain-cure of the age.

Cholera failed to strike a single one of the 4,000 women employed in the national tobacco factory at Valencia, Spain, though An Irishman was asked for his marriage the disease raged violently in that city, and certificate. He slowly lifted his hat re the Medical World recalls the fact that tovealing a large scar on the head, evidently bacco workers were also noticed to enjoy done by a flat iron. This evidence was to exomption from attack during the epidem can Industries" is devoted to raising hops the point. Our certificates are the praises ic at Amsterdam. This is comforting to at

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> In the Offices. MARRIAGES.

The following were this week grantol fi-

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Chas. Deegan and Hannah Dooley. Thomas Hanley and Elizabeth A. Coleman. Christ F. Ness and Julia O. Sehby. Franklin P. Locke and Liu Crusan Geo. H. Abbott and Myra Robel, Geo. Schuetz and Anna Donahue. Thomas Lysinger and Lillie M. Pitcher Ole Gunderson and Berte Soffey Bertelson Hudson Favor Story and Eveline Fread

William H. Knowles and Mae Stormont George F. Nelson and Minnie Diegle. Ole Olson and Katle Looft, Ole K. Moland and Minnie Lindataca. Julius Redmann and Anna Christina Kit-

Franklin Webster and Jennie A. Mason Wilhelm Gutler and Wilhelmina Straigh. George Lincoln Harris and Barbara Scan-

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At this writing several days have elapsed nearly all the nations on the face of the with no diminution of pressure apparent.

northeast of Mendota, which continued flow until the auger hole in the bottom dota prospectors are about to test the Guiles well with a view of restoring the flow at

Within the city limits a score or more of up in the last few years simply because the natural gas was too prevalent to suit the ble thing for us to awake some morning sumers. This gas belt shows similar indithree miles northeast of Mendota, and extending thence southwest into Bureau

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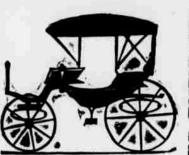
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